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In the absence of Mr. Sajdik (Austria), Mr. Drobnjak (Croatia), Vice-President, took the Chair.

The meeting was called to order at 3.10 p.m.

Achieving sustainable development through employment creation and decent work for all (*continued*)

1. *A panel discussion on the topic "Mind the gap: How widening inequalities undermine development", moderated by Mr. Matthew Bishop, Globalisation Editor, The Economist, was held. The panellists were Mr. Alfonso Navarrete Prida (Minister of Labour and Social Welfare, Mexico); Mr. Hu Xiaoyi (Vice-Minister, Human Resources and Social Security, China); Ms. Sharan Burrow (General Secretary, International Trade Union Confederation); and Ms. Stephanie Seguino (Professor, Department of Economics, University of Vermont). The panellists made statements and an interactive discussion ensued, during which the panellists responded to comments and questions from the moderator and a representative of the non-governmental organization Gray Panthers, in consultative status with the Council.*

2. **Mr. Dhakiri** (Observer for Indonesia), introducing the report on the country-level consultation for the integration segment, said that the conclusions of the consultation, which had been held in Jakarta on 24 and 25 February 2015 under the theme "Achieving sustainable development through employment creation and decent work for all", were available on the Council's website, and highlighted some of the issues that had been raised.

3. **Ms. Mejía Vélez** (Colombia), introducing the report on the Latin American and Caribbean preparatory meeting held in Lima on 13 October 2014 under the theme "Decent work, climate change and sustainable development", highlighted some of the issues that had been raised.

4. *A panel discussion on the topic "Voices from the real economy", moderated by Mr. Michael Shank, Director of Media Strategy, Climate Nexus, and Senior Fellow, JustJobs Network, was held. The panellists were Ms. Nomvuzo Shabalala (Deputy Mayor of Durban, South Africa); Mr. Sanjay Kumar (Director, Self Employed Women's Association Bharat, India); Ms. Vicenta Trotman (community leader and member of the Administrative Board of Rural Water Supply, Ngäbe-Buglé indigenous territory of the Ño Kribo region, Panama); and Mr. Paul Hazen (Executive Director, United States Overseas Cooperative Development Council, International Cooperative Alliance). The panellists made statements and an interactive discussion ensued, during which the panellists responded to comments and questions from the moderator and the representative of Argentina.*

The meeting rose at 6 p.m.